

**Docket No.:** 4590-235

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of       | : |                             |
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| Jan MULDER                 | : | Confirmation No. 5631       |
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| Application No. 10/716,882 | : | Group Art Unit: 3632        |
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| Filed: November 20, 2003   | : | Examiner: Todd Michael EPPS |

For: ELEMENTARY AND COMPLEX COUPLING DEVICES, AND THEIR USE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

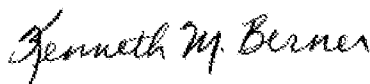
Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Final Official Action dated July 19, 2007 for 3 months from October 19, 2007 to January 19, 2008. Since the due date of January 19, 2008 fell on a Saturday and Monday, January 21, 2008 was a FEDERAL HOLIDAY this petition is being filed in a timely manner on Tuesday, January 22, 2008.

A credit card authorization form to cover the cost of the extension is attached. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No.: 07-1337.

Respectfully submitted,

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